

# MTI Bird and Fish Tracking Conference 2009

Successfully Tracking Wildlife



from Soaring Heights



to the Depths of the Sea

**Thank You** to all those who attended the MTI Bird & Fish tracking conference, held in Ellicott City, Maryland from March 24-26, 2009. We had about 60 attendees from 15 countries: Germany, France, England, Portugal, Spain and the Basque Country, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Switzerland, United Arab Emirates, South Africa, Israel, Canada and the USA.

The three day event featured presentations ranging from the preservation of vultures in South Africa to avian influenza vectors, to tracking the bluefin tuna. All of the abstracts have now been posted on our website. The packed schedule featured several technical sessions including the introduction of our new products.

The conference was informative and a huge success. We have already been asked when the next one will be! We will keep you posted.

Paul & the MTI Staff



Our thanks to Bernd Meyburg of the WWGBP for his keynote address, as well as presentations on Hobby Falcon and Black Kite tracking.



Thanks to the staff at the Turf Valley Spa and Resort for their help in making our conference a success. Special thanks to Gloria and Cheryl.



Bernd Meyburg, Dave Johnson, Lee Tibbitts and Bob Gill at the reception dinner.



Aline Duplaa of CLS France and Paul Howey enjoying a coffee break.



Scholarship student recipients Pascual Lopez (University of Alicante, Spain) and Sarah Trefry (University of New Brunswick, Canada).



Our thanks to Debbie Stakem of CLS America for her presentation on the Argos system.



Conference attendees enjoyed the dinner reception.

## Future Products Introduced at the Conference

Bringing the 5g solar PTT into production was not easy. We had to expand our facility to accommodate the new machines necessary for handling the smaller class of components this tiny PTT requires. Using the techniques we have developed for building the 5g solar PTT, we are now working on the next generation of fish tags and GPS PTTs. Coming soon: the new "E-Tag" and 15g solar Argos/GPS PTT.



E-Tag, X-Tag and Archival Pop-up Tag



5g solar PTT



Conference attendees and MTI staff pose at our front door after a tour of our facility.

15g solar Argos/GPS PTT